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BLACKFOOT COUNCIL PREPARE FOR THIS YEAR'S WORK

The Blackfoot M.D. council held the third meeting for this year in the Municipal office when Councillors Wheatley, Bolinger, Rasmussen, Umbrite and Thorsen were present.

The secretary stated that Returning Officer Philip Rogers had advised him that David Nelson was elected by acclamation for division 1, and that J. M. Wheatley was elected by ballot as councillor for division 2 of the municipality. He further reported that Mr. Wheatley had subscribed to his oath of office. An oath blank had been mailed to Mr. Nelson who was confined in the Bassano hospital through illness. The secretary then advised that the meeting was open and that the first duty of the council was to appoint a chairman during the election of a reeve.

Councillor Wheatley occupied the chair during the election of a reeve. Councillor Bolinger nominated Mr. Thorsen for the position and as there was no other nomination he was elected reeve. Councillor Wheatley then declared Mr. Thorsen elected reeve for the ensuing year and added that he had the wholehearted support of the council. Mr. Thorsen in turn thanked the members for their continued support and for their cooperation in the past. He then took the chair and called for nominations for deputy reeve. Councillor Umbrite was nominated for the position and as there was no other nomination Reeve Thorsen declared Mr. Umbrite elected deputy reeve for the first portion of the year.

The finance committee will consist of Messrs. Umbrite, Nelson and Rasmussen. The legislative committee consists of Messrs. Thorsen, Wheatley and Bolinger. Mr. Collin was appointed auditor with a salary of \$150 a year. The members of committees appointed by the council to attend to matters affecting the municipality are to be paid their expenses.

Councillors for divisions 1, 2 and 4 were appointed a committee to settle disputes in connection with damage claims at the pound situated at the N.E. 11 and N.W. 23-24-25; councillors for divisions 3, 5 and 6 will settle disputes in connection with damage claims at the pound situated at S.W. 23-24-25; they will also settle disputes and claims at the pound situated at 16-23-25; councillors for divisions 1, 3 and 6 will settle disputes regarding damage claims at the pound situated on S.E. 20-24-25. W. E. Thompson was appointed assessor.

The council will constitute a board of health, the reeve is to be chairman and the secretary-treasurer is to be the secretary. Each councillor is an executive officer of the board to look after health matters in his division, and health matters are to be taken up at each regular council meeting and when called by the chairman.

The regular monthly meetings of the council is to be held on the second Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. in the municipal office, unless such time and place be changed by resolution.

The reeve and the secretary-treasurer were authorized to pay the following amounts as they become due: office light, Chancellor lights, salaries, telephone, school estimates from collections and trust remittances.

The reeve is to be paid at the rate of \$5 per day and the deputy reeve \$4.50 a day, and nine cents per mile attending meetings of the council and discharging their duties. Each councillor will be paid \$4 a day and nine cents a mile necessarily travelled attending meetings. Each councillor will also be paid 4 per day for time not exceeding 15 days and nine cents a mile during the current year in laying out and inspecting work done for the benefit of the municipality.

The following is the schedule of wages to be paid for work done otherwise than by contract: foreman 40c and hour; laborers 30c; each horse 74c; Drugging: 4-horse drag 30c per mile; 6-horse drag 40c per mile.

W. E. Thompson was appointed inspector under the Old Age Pensions Act and the Mother's Allowance Act. Each member of the council is to be a relief officer in his respective division with power to investigate applicants and make necessary recommendations or issue emergency orders.

The following were appointed fire guardians for this year: C. Chase, Cluny; E. Naylor, Chancellor; W. J. Frowse, Cluny; John Rasmussen, Standard; Hans E. Thompson, Naylor; and Harold C. Scher, Strathmore.

Mr. Duncan Clark of Cluny was present and asked the council to reconsider opening the abandoned leased road across section 25-21-21. The question of the council acting on behalf of this district was settled some time ago and as there were several similar situations the council expressed themselves as leaving well enough alone. Mr. Clark then stated he would be willing to deposit \$80 as purchase price of this land, some 40 acres in extent, if a deal for a private road could be arranged by the council. Upon the money being deposited the councillors instructed the secretary to proceed and place the proposal before the interested parties and close the deal on behalf of Mr. Clark.

It was decided to make the usual \$50 annual grant to the Salvation Army to be used exclusively for T. H. Bosch called regarding the grasshopper bait mixing station for 1937. As the building used in previous years had been wrecked he had a building vacant suitable for the purpose. The matter was left in the hands of Councillor Umbrite and the secretary to arrange for a building.

Wood Inspector Sammons was present. He asked if the council wished him to make arrangements for the eradication of hony cross by staking out infested lands and giving instructions that the hands so staked were not to be plowed this year. The council thought this was a good idea and instructed Mr. Sammons to do this special work of routing out hony cross and serving notice on farmers.

The secretary advised the meeting that Adjt. Sutherland of Everett, Home had invited the council to lunch at his home and to inspect the institution. The members accepted the invitation and the secretary was instructed to inform Adjt. Sutherland they would be along at the next meeting if this was satisfactory.

Lars Rasmussen sought permission from the council to dig a ditch, erect culvert and cover with an earth fill on the road allowance between the N.E. 11 and N.W. 23-24-25, to run irrigation water across the road to eastward lands. He would relieve the municipality of all responsibility and keep the culvert and earth work in good condition. The C.P.R. desired to be released from the latter responsibility having notified the council that the culverts had been removed and crossing ditch filled in. Mr. Rasmussen was given permission to do this upon condition that he enters into an agreement that he would assume full responsibility for the erection, repair and maintenance. This is to be signed and delivered and the requested release forwarded to the C. P. R.

A resolution from the ratemakers meeting regarding farmers removing all growth from road allowances was discussed and it was decided that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the minister of agriculture.

Councillor Umbrite moved and carried the following resolution: Owing to adverse conditions in this district through drought and grasshopper pests in 1936 and the consequent acute situation prevailing and the need of direct relief being continued to meet the situation be conveyed to James G. Gardiner, minister of agriculture, Ottawa, by letter and by telegram. And he be further requested to supplement this assistance with seed grain, feed and fodder, and tractor fuel advances which conditions warrant to the whole municipal district as the small quantities of feed and other reserves were exhausted during the winter months. And that the department of Agriculture, Edmonton, be also advised of this situation and requested to seek assistance for us at Ottawa.

THE WORLD OF WHEAT

By H. G. L. Strange, Director of "Crop Training Plan."

Since the dawn of agriculture, the dreaded black rust, like a giant scythe, has, from time to time, rears itself out down the farmer's fields of wheat. In 1935, after several years of distressing drought, Manitoba and Saskatchewan had the promise, at last, of a bumper crop. Thirty,

Railroader-Actor



Roy Emerson (above), English actor who played Moody, the railway contractor, in the Canadian Railway epic among the Rockies, found himself right at home in the part when he went to the C. P. R. mountain division as a means new to Emerson who with his brother Percy served the railway there in 1912. Roy, the actor, as a frequent "pusher" engines, and Percy as a round-house huffer at Revelstoke where much of the film's local color was filmed. Roy Emerson was a popular figure during the filming of the Canadian railway epic among the railroaders, many of them former associates.

erty and fifty bushels to the acre were the words on everybody's lips. Alas! the rust crept in and the fine promise of a bountiful crop became a mockery. The horn of plenty was ruthlessly snatched from the very grasp of the expectant farmer.

Mr. H. Liljedorf, of Arnoud, Manitoba, however, had a crop of good red Spring wheat that matured unharmed by the rust. It was Thatcher, a new rust-resistant variety, under development since 1907 by the Minnesota Agricultural Experimental Station, the Manitoba government purchased Mr. Liljedorf's crop and distributed the seed, as far as it would go, to Manitoba farmers.

There was, however, none available on Saskatchewan. So, with the encouragement of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, the "Crop Testing Plant" imported from Minnesota all the highest quality Registered Thatcher available from their best seed growers. Nine carloads were brought in and distributed at cost to some two thousand farmers in Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

The following factors have tended to raise price: Intensive demand for wheat by certain European countries continues unabated. Soviet spring sowings considerably behind schedule. Wheat crop in the Orient expected to be below last year. Drought effects rice crop in French Indo-China. Siamese rice surplus for export smallest in five years.

The following factors have tended to lower price: Favorable weather in the United States' winter wheat belt. Beneficial rains occur in Australia. Corn prospects in Argentina good. Egyptian corn yield above average. Generous rains assure good cereal germination in Palestine. U. S. A. total acreage may be 68 million.

HONOR RETIRING MEMBER

(Communicated)

The regular meeting of the First Ranger Group of Gleichen was held in the Club Room last week.

The meeting took the form of a party to bid farewell to one of the original members Miss Allison Evans, who has since left for Edmonton. The invited guests of the evening were the girls mothers, Commissioner Goodenham and Mrs. R. A. Aylmer, former Ranger captain. Games and contests were enjoyed after which the social committee served a delightful lunch.

Lieutenant Morton presented the guest of honor with a small gift from the group after which the Commissioner and Mrs. Aylmer spoke a few farewell words. The meeting closed by the formation of the horse-shoe where the promise was repeated, silence observed and the taps sung.

The honeymoon is over when he takes her off the pedestal and puts her on a budget.

J. E. OSTRANDER MADE LIFE MEMBER ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

St. Andrew's Church recently held its annual congregational meeting in the Legion hall. Owing to the fact that this meeting had been postponed twice due to the bad roads it was very well attended and all present took a deep interest in the proceedings.

The Rev. C. W. Wiley, M. A., incumbent of the church presided and opened the meeting with prayer. The Peoples Warden, Mr. A. F. MacCallum presented the report for the church. The W. A. and Junior W. A. reports were also presented. Mr. J. F. Gorrill, the superintendent of the Sunday School was unable to attend, but all reports brought in and read by the various church organizations were most encouraging.

It was decided to have the furnace, repaired, which has already been attempted to and the church is now nice and warm on Sundays for the children.

A most pleasing and well deserved feature of this meeting was when all present unanimously made Mr. J. E. Ostrander a life member of the Vestry in recognition of his long and faithful services in the church. Mr. Ostrander for several years past has most ably filled the position of Pastor's Warden, he felt it was time for him to step down and let some other member of the congregation fill this position. It was with very deep regret Mr. Wiley accepted his resignation. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ostrander are devoted and energetic workers in the church and at present Mrs. Ostrander is the president of the W. A. All hope and pray that both Mr. Mrs. Ostrander will be long spared to help carry on the work in the church here.

The Junior W. A. is carried on under the leadership of Mrs. P. Deshayes; the Sunday School under Mr. Gorrill as superintendent and his efficient staff of teachers.

Servants are held in St. Andrew's Church once a month, notice of same are always published in The Call. Any information pertaining to the activities of St. Andrew's Church will be gladly given by the following who were elected to carry on the duties of the church for 1937: Pastor's Warden, T. W. Bates, Jr.; People's Warden, A. F. MacCallum; Vestry, J. E. Ostrander, ex-officio; A. R. Yates, R. S. Haskayne, W. H. Goodwin, J. F. Gorrill, W. Moore. Lay delegates chosen to attend the synod were W. H. Goodwin and J. E. Ostrander.

WITH THE BOY SCOUTS

A meeting of the Boy Scout Association will be held in the Legion Hall on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Parents and others interested are requested to attend.

Numbers of Boy Scout troops throughout Canada contributed substantially to the Ohio and Mississippi flood relief by organized collections of canned goods, clothing and money.

Canada's several Scout troops of Indian boys have been added to by the organization of groups at the Shingwauk Indian residential school at Sault St. Marie, and at Devos, N. B.

London Boy Scouts have been assigned numerous tasks for the coronation. They will help the police control the crowds, act as messengers, and be on duty outside Westminster Abbey. Fifteen hundred Rover Scouts will assist the police along the route of the Coronation procession, their particular task being the erection and dismantling of "crush barriers" to control the crowds in side streets.

That blind scouts can usher as efficiently as those with their sight was the interesting demonstration given by the boys of the 1st Brantford Troop, of the Ontario School for the Blind, at a recent school concert. They also demonstrated their ability to signal by semaphore.

During his return from the South Australian Corroboree, Sir Percy Everett, Deputy Chief Commissioner of the Boy Scouts Association, visited the Scouts of a leper colony at Colombo, Ceylon, the Rovers of a Mission Crow and Scouts and Guides of several deaf and dumb and blind schools. "The cheerfulness of all these handicapped young people was amazing," he reported.

REDUCED MOTOR LICENSE RATES NEXT OCTOBER

Thousands of motor car owners in Alberta are now obtaining their number plates for the license year which opens on April 1, instead of on January 1 as in past years.

The new plates, which bear the colors of black on an orange background are good until March 31, 1938.

Thus Alberta joins various other provinces and many of the states in advancing the license year, something strongly advocated by the Alberta Motor Association which in 1935 submitted a petition, signed by thousands of Alberta citizens, asking for the change.

Under the new regulations just announced by the provincial secretary's department, the first reduction on motor licenses will take effect next October 1. Those taking out 1937-38 licenses at that time will be given a 40 per cent cut in the yearly rate. Their license, of course, will be good until the following March 31. For those who turn in their number plates on December 31 next upon de-

LADIES SOCIAL CREDIT GROUP HOLD SESSION

Mrs. R. B. Hayes was hostess to the Social Credit Ladies Group at their last meeting. Mrs. Edward Holland was elected chairman of the meeting in the absence of Miss Bell, the president.

Ten was served by the hostess, assisted by Miss Verona Hayes and Mrs. Stuart Hayes.

A card party will be held on April 2nd at 8 p.m. at the Shamrock school. The hostesses will be Mrs. R. B. Hayes and Mrs. O. E. Calkins.

aiding to take their cars out of service at that time, there will be a 20 per cent rebate on the annual license fee.

In the case of those who may have just bought cars and wish to operate them. During January, February and March, they will be granted a permit for this purpose on the basis of one-quarter of the annual license fee. On April first next, they like others would take out their annual motor license.

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CHAPTER L—Continued

It seems her father is a surgeon, practising in Baltimore or some place down there. Her mother, who died at the time of the child's birth, had been a Canadian girl from near Exeter in Southern Saskatchewan who went south, quite young, to train as a nurse. And those Canadian girls that train for nurses?—Well, you know what nurses are! Of course, they are wholesome, capable young women; but I notice they wear little affairs on their heads; and they wear them, I figure, so that they can set their caps for likely young doctors, who are starting up in good practice.

Anyway, the big car had crossed the border at Niagara Falls en route to Montreal and points further east. The young lady had a notion to go fifty miles north from the lake to see what sort of a place it was among the hills that her mother's family had come from. And youth nowadays must be served—even if a bit impatiently. Some person in the neighborhood had referred to me as an historical landmark from which to take her bearings.

Yes, I told her, I had known her mother's family. I remembered her great, great-grandmother as a robust young woman. In fact, her people had lived in this very house—not in the weather-beaten old place as it now is, but in the days of its youth and glory. I had come to work on the farm as a little lad fresh out from Ireland; and on, and off, I have lived on the place ever since. It is the only real home I ever had.

I took her around to see a yellow birch planted many years ago by a little girl who wore hoop skirts on Sundays. The little gardener, I told her, as good had her mother's. As good luck had it, the season being early, the yellow birch bush was a mass of waxy blossoms and unfolding buds.

Of course she was tremendously interested; but the big car seemed to get a little impatient.

"And where were those folk of mine buried?" she inquired.

I told her she would notice the little graveyard as they drove out to the pike. It now stood, deserted like, in the corner of a pasture field; but at one time its stones had nestled around a Methodist meeting-house.

"But if you go in, be careful of those sheer stockings," said I, "because we don't take much care of these little burial places up this way."

She asked me if she might take some of the yellow roses. I cut off a bundle of the branches with my jack-knife, and wrapped a sheet of newspaper about the prickly stems. "Put them on the old woman's grave," I suggested; "but don't shake them, because the petals blow and scatter. Your old kinwoman, I must warn you, was a very orderly person."

"Yes," she said to me, "you seize the flower, its bloom is sweet."

"Anyhow," I replied, "briar blossoms never feel the ugliness of age."

The girl lifted up her quiet eyes to the limestone hills whence came the strength of my farm.

"Doesn't that mean," she asked me, "that they must die in the beauty of their youth?"

"Then they are beloved, of the gods," said I.

And we walked back toward the car.

I was startled by the visit of that strange young girl to the old Ontario farm. In the span of my lifetime, I got to thinking, I had seen the huge pocket of British territory that nestles within the arms of the Great Lakes—a fertile land larger in extent than the republic of France—cleared of its hardwood forests and turned into fruitful farm lands. The hardworking men and women from the British Isles who did this great job were lovers of the soil and they hungered for homes of their own. From their firesides I have seen great waves of young life go out in search of fame and an easier fortune. One would travel beyond Greenland's icy mountains and farther than India's coral strand to find a locality in which a father has not told his son how hard "the old man" made a fellow work on the farm back in Ontario. And I have lived long enough to know that the farm homes of the Scottish and Irish pioneers will pass into the hands of other races and breeds of men whose children have remained lovers of the soil.

I have thought several times since of the quiet-spoken, hard-working women, out of whose decent lives that young girl had come; and every time I think of them, I feel inclined to dodge around and have a look at that simple, old-fashioned, yellow rose-bush. It has stood out there, these many years, undented and unprotected in a wind-swept place; it has learned to suffer and endure—and it still endures. It keeps itself neat and tidy, because Nature mends by subtle art the ravages of time. Apparently the old bush has always been well content with its location and station in life. There no evidence that it has ever tried to spread out or encroach upon its neighbors. It is well equipped to protect its rights and dignity, and to prevent others from encroaching upon it. At ordinary times, it is a trim, healthy sort of a shrub and retiring in its nature; but when it shows its soul, the whole bush bursts suddenly into a magnificence of bloom.

There were like qualities in the hearts of the Irish women who were pioneering in the timberlands of Upper Canada when Victoria began her long reign. In 1838, a young girl set up the first housekeeping on this farm. Her family were originally adherents of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and had settled as small farmers in County Armagh at the time Cromwell put the curse on Ireland. And I think, sometimes, that perhaps old Ireland also put a curse on that little settlement.

There was bred in their children's children a hard, silent, stubborn pride that became pitiable as all Ireland fell upon evil days at the close of the Napoleonic wars.

A high birth rate and young folk who hung around home, and whistling themselves over the hills and far away, added greatly to the woes of the cabins and cottages of old Ireland.

—That mournful nation With charmin' pliantry upon a fruitful sod.

Fightin' like devils for conciliation And battin' each other for the love of God.

The result was rack renting and the splitting up of small land holdings. Owing to its overabundance, farm labor in that little island came less efficient than anywhere else in Europe.

The Irish Protestant families that pioneered in the backwoods of Upper Canada in the thirties were driven out of Ireland by the cruel and inexorable as were the troopers of bloody Cromwell. Their women folk had learned in Ireland to skimp and suffer, and still endure; but they had endured there in a grim and haughty silence. I never met one of them, in the early days, whose grandfather had not apparently been the proud possessor of an entailed estate—1 suppose of four acres and a cow. These landed gentry had dined on potatoes and hake one day; but to keep up the family standing, they varied to hake and potatoes the next. As for the rest of us in Ireland, we lived in those days on potatoes and point. You get that? The children stood around the table at mealtime, eating potatoes—baked with the jackets on. To get a flavor, they pointed the tatties at the bit of salt herring father ate. Nineteen years was the average lifespan in rural Ireland; and only one soul out of five passed the age of forty.

(To Be Continued)

Berlin's bill for constructing and altering roads in connection with the 1936 Olympic Games will total \$8,800,000.

LOST... ONE HEALTHY CROUCH!



Reveals Startling Theory

Test Shows Serene Cook Can Make Good Biscuits

The United States Bureau of Home Economics has dashed out the startling theory that strong-arm tactics make good biscuits. This means the cook can't manhandle the dough and expect a batch of tender bread for dinner.

The ladies of the bureau won't be quoted, but they don't deny they may hit on the answer to one of history's kitchen mysteries—why the same cook never makes the same kind of biscuits twice.

If getting a strangle hold on the dough affects the biscuits-to-be, it doesn't take a government agency to point out the housewife's temper controls the whole business.

One who swears serenely into the kitchen at peace with the world—say, over the prospects of a new spring bonnet—naturally is going to be gentle with her dough. By the same logic, the woman who storms up to the stove in a peevish apt to lose her wrath on the defenseless mass of flour.

The bureau conducted tests all over the place—but not with happy and angry cooks. Dough which received 15 to 18 gentle strokes gave light, flaky tender biscuits. Dough which received more than 18 strokes turned out close-grained, doughy flat affairs.

The chemical explanation is that getting rough with the dough causes it to lose its elasticity. When it's time for the biscuit to rise, it stages a sit-down strike.

The French language is thought to have the largest slang vocabulary in the world, with English a close second.

Although the feathers of milkies may be either white or black, their skin is always black. They are the Negroes of the fowl race.

If there had been drunken driving in the days of the Ten Commandments, there would have been eleven.



Works Way To Wedding

Shipping Strike Almost Spoiled Plans Of Young Englishman

Angus D. Vickers, son of Douglas Vickers of the well-known British family of that name, got to his wedding in Christchurch, New Zealand, by working as a deckhand.

This is how it all happened: Mr. Vickers had to get to Christchurch by Jan 23 for his marriage to Miss Phyllis Francis, a Christchurch girl, and he got as far as the Pacific Coast only to find the American shipping strike had tied up all available ships.

San Francisco showed a complete blank, so he went to Vancouver. There he learned that a small steamer, the Linerick, had sailed for New Zealand a short time before and could be reached at Honolulu with a little luck. Back he went to San Francisco, where he managed to secure a berth on a "Bayside" liner which was visiting Honolulu en route to Japan, and at Honolulu he caught the Linerick by one day.

It began to look as if he would get there after all. Then the crew of the Linerick went on strike at Honolulu, and things looked black. But the officers of the ship decided to sail if the twelve passengers would act as members of the crew for the voyage. They all agreed.

For two weeks Mr. Vickers, along with the others, polished brass, washed down decks and did a hundred and one other menial jobs. The other members of the "crew" report that he worked cheerfully and well.

And he got to Christchurch in time for the wedding.

But he had to leave a lot of his wedding presents behind in San Francisco.

Rag-Picking De Luxe

Jews Are Excluded In Germany From This Profession

The lowly calling of rag-picking was classified by official Nazi edict among the professions from which Jews are excluded in Germany.

Henceforth only "100 per cent Aryan" may browse about the streets and alleys of Berlin, picking up rags and rubbish.

All Berlin's rag-pickers are to be mobilized in the reich's four-year economic-sufficiency plan. They will be obliged to carry a badge of the national organization for the war against waste.

Little Helps For This Week

There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man, but God is faithful who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able, but will with the temptation make a way of escape that ye may be able to bear it. I Cor. 10:13-14.

You must believe no load of woes. Need bring despairing frown; For while we bear it, we can bear.

Fast that, we lay it down. Everything that happens either happens in such wise that we are drawn by nature to bear it, or not formed to bear it. If then it happens in such a way that you can bear it, do not complain. But if it happens that you are not able to bear it, do not complain, for it will perish after it has consumed you. Remember however that we are formed by nature to bear everything, and it depends on your own opinion to make it endurable and tolerable by thinking it is your duty to bear it patiently.

Not Greatly Impressed

Artist's Descriptive Powers Were Wasted On Farm Hand

The artist was painting a sunset—vivid red, with blue streaks and green splashes scattered over the canvas. A farm hand stopped and watched him.

"Ah," said the artist, looking up suddenly, "perhaps to you Nature has also opened up her sky pictures page by page? Have you seen the lambent flame of dawn leaping across the pellicled east? The red-stained sulphurous islets floating as if in a lake of fire in the west; the ragged clouds at midnight, black as ravens' wings blotting out the shuddering moon?"

"No," replied the farm hand, "not since I stopped drinking."



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Town & District

An unusually large number of people were in town Saturday afternoon. A large number of whom were Indians.

All church services in Gleichen Easter Sunday were exceptionally well attended.

T. H. Beach is holding an auction sale Friday of farm implements for Mrs. F. M. Harrison, administratrix of the late C. W. Harrison estate.

Good Friday was generally observed as a holiday in town. Owing to the snow and cold weather the home firesides were very popular.

Misses L. Morton and M. Volkenburg left for Vancouver last week for a short visit. They will be back this week end.

Quite a number of local hockey fans attended the hockey games in Calgary last week. Many plan on going up to see the Allen cup finals.

Mr. Collins, the C.P.R. pumpman at Barstow informs us that over a week ago geese were to be seen in the open spaces in the river, and a couple of days later ducks arrived. A week before that bluebirds were to be seen.

"Hogan" states the fire brigade is the wealthiest organization in town and thinks the surplus funds should be invested in Alberta bonds.

The curlers, both ladies and gents, held their annual social evening last week in the I.O.O.F. hall when an excellent supper was served by the men. Cards and dancing helped to while away the evening. Those who attended state they had a splendid time.

Alberta agricultural officials are preparing for their annual battle with the locusts. Admitting that the extent and severity of the plague would depend on climatic conditions, departmental officials figure it "might be fairly heavy" this year. Provided the spring is late and wet, the locusts may be limited to recognized areas. Should it break early and be comparatively dry the districts may extend some additional distance north and east, it was stated.

GLEICHEN UNITED CHURCH

Rev. J. N. Wilkinson, Minister.
Mrs. H. Birch, choir leader.
Miss Jean Farnham, pianist.
11 a.m. Church School.
7.30 p.m. Evening service. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed.

Before Jesus was crucified. He said to His disciples, "I am in remembrance of Me." This service should be observed by all His followers, not so much as a duty but as a reminder that He gave of His life for us and is still present as a spiritual presence in the bread and wine.

HUMBLE FOOD WINS PRAISE

Long associated as a dish for the masses in England, the humble fish and chips is apparently gaining recognition in Canada. At least one large restaurant chain in Toronto and Montreal make a feature of this dish and according to the caterer have struck a very responsive chord in the palates of their customers.

Recently a columnist in the British News predicted that fish and chips shops in this country, if they were properly developed, could absorb 60 per cent of the fish landed, as they do in Great Britain. In the old country, he says, everyone in the business earns a good living, especially the fishermen who benefit by the vast markets created by this lively trade.

A few Canadian restaurant executives are of the opinion that the humble fish and chips has real possibilities. The chief handicap in the past, according to one, has been that no effort has been made to place this business on a quality basis. The merchandising of fish and chips has been largely confined to poorer districts and people have not been properly educated to think of fish and chips as the wholesome and savory food it is.

Were more restaurants to feature it and give it the imprimatur of quality, there might very well be a new habit created among Canadians and a substantial fillip given to the fish industry.

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